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The Charlevoix Rayders Volleyball Team

The Rayders reached the final four of volleyball this past week as they captured the school's first ever quarter final victory, prior to that, they claimed the school's first ever regional championship, and in the process claimed their third straight district title shortly after capturing the Lake Michigan Conference championship. Charlevoix also set a school record for wins in a season, as the Lady Rayders went 49-5-6.



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Making History..... AGAIN!

Charlevoix advances to state volleyball semifinals

By Chris Fiel

CHARLEVOIX – Home court advantage, packed house, an opportunity to advance to the state semifinals at Kellogg Arena in Battle Creek. That was the setting on November 15, as the Charlevoix Rayders took to the volleyball court.

The Rayders, in front of a very loud, standing room only crowd at their home gymnasium at Charlevoix High School, played with fire, focus and determination in getting past the Gremlins of Houghton 25-16, 24-26, 25-17, 25-20 and continued their history making season as they advanced to the Class C state semifinals.

Charlevoix improved to 49-4-6 and will take their coaches poll No. 6 ranking up against that of No. 1 ranked Morley-Stanwood, which stands 56-4-2.

In the first set, the Rayders built a 20-12 lead and eventually finished the set with an Anna Way block kill and sent the crowd into a frenzy.

With a 1-0 set lead, Charlevoix looked to go up another as they jumped out to a 5-1 lead behind the serving of senior Jenna Way. That cushion would be short



PHOTO BY ADAM ESSELMAN

A packed house of Maroon and White cheered on the Rayder volleyball team as they advanced to the state semi-finals.

lived though, as the Gremlins battled back and eventually took a 14-9 lead behind the hitting of Joey Carroll and Blaire Zenner and the serving of Genevieve Flaspohler. Charlevoix made a comeback behind the strong attacking of freshman Madeline Boss, junior Karley Pearsall and senior Megan Peters. The Rayders eventually went up 24-23 on the serving of senior Chelsie Hoffman. But after a missed serve, Houghton closed the door as they pulled out a hard-fought 26-24 victory on a Carroll kill, evening the match at a set apiece. Following the loss, Rayder

coach Liz Shaw, reminded her team it was time to get back on track, capture the momentum and play their game like they are used to.

“Coach just said, it’s time to play our game, and play like we are capable of,” senior libero, Kelly Greyerbiehl said.

“We knew coming into the game that we were too amped up during the regional finals, and that we needed to calm our nerves and channel them in a positive way,” Greyerbiehl noted. “We just focused, got the momentum back in our favor, and played like it was just another game.”

That little piece of advice pushed the Rayders in the third set as they seemed to take off from a 15-15 tie and seemed to go on cruise control in pulling out the 25-17 win on a Peters cross-court kill from the right side of the net.

Peters finished the set with seven kills, while Boss added a pair and the Rayders got outstanding serving from Greyerbiehl and Kelsey Way.

With a 2-1 set advantage, Charlevoix looked to close the door, and after falling behind 0-1, they tied the score and went up 2-



PHOTO BY ADAM ESSELMAN

Charlevoix's Karley Pearsall sends a kill shot over the net as Houghton's #5 Blaire Zenner and #12 Linnea Dunstan try and defend. Pearsall finished the game with 11 kills.

1 and never looked back as the score would never be closer than one point the rest of the set.

The Rayders went up 23-20, and then the countdown began. With the Maroon and White clad crowd getting louder, Boss sent a kill from the left side to pull Charlevoix within a point of the

win, sophomore Jenna Holecheck then stepped up to the task and delivered an ace, sending the crowd into an uproar as the Rayder bench cleared and rushed the court mobbing their teammates.

“Words can’t describe the feeling, the excitement and the energy at that point,” an adrenaline filled Greyerbiehl said. “The packed gym, so much positivity, we’ve worked so hard this season. Dreams do come true, it’s almost surreal its happening.”

Always steady senior setter Jenna Way finished the night with 40 assists, 25 digs, eight kills and four aces to lead the Rayders.

Fellow seniors Megan Peters and Kelly Greyerbiehl also had outstanding performances in front of the home crowd. Peters had a monster game at the net with 17 kills, while Greyerbiehl led the defense with 31 digs and was 34-of-35 on serve reception.

Boss also stepped up at the net with 12 kills, while Pearsall chipped in with 11. Chelsie Hoffman added 17 digs; Kelsey Way had 14 digs; and Maddy Zimmerman added 10.

Greyerbiehl also added that it was amazing to see the community and surrounding area support. “It’s awesome, so cool that that many people came to see us play! Amazing, the bleachers were full, there was not an empty spot in the gym.”

No matter the outcome of the semifinal weekend, the 2011 Charlevoix Rayder volleyball team has put their stamp on this outstanding season, and made their mark on school history with a number of firsts.

Congratulations Charlevoix Rayders, your determination, passion and the way you carry yourselves already makes you champions.

The Houghton Gremlins finished the season at 41-10-5.

The Rayder volleyball team is mobbed by their fans following the final point that sent them to Battle Creek.

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SO CLOSE!

Rayders fall to eventual state champion Morley-Stanwood

By Chris Fiel

BATTLE CREEK – Despite carrying a ton of momentum and support, the Charlevoix Rayder volleyball teams amazing journey came to an end at the hands of the eventual state champions.

The Rayders however, did not make it an easy task for Morely-Stanwood, as they put up a fight in each set before falling 25-19, 25-22, 25-12 in the Class C semifinal match at Kellogg Arena on November 18. Charlevoix closed out the season with a 49-5-6 record.

“We were in each game, and led in each set,” Rayder coach Liz Shaw said. “We had too many unforced errors that gave them the momentum, and in playing at this level, it is too hard to recover and they took advantage of it.”

After the Mohawks went up 1-0 in the first set, The Rayders peeled off four straight points for a 4-1 advantage, highlighted by back-to-back aces from Jenna Way.

Morley-Stanwood would then battle back to even the score at 7-7, neither team would go ahead by more than two until it was knotted up again at 16-16.

The Mohawks then used their hitting attack led by four kills from Brett Chesebro and another three by Bailey Cairnduff to take the opening set 25-19.

Charlevoix bounced back in the second set, taking an early 4-2 advantage, and going up 18-13 on a Madeline Boss kill. The Mohawks then used the serving of Kayla



ABOVE: Chx players closing moments vs MS) Rayder seniors (L-R) Megan Peters, Jenna Way, and Kelsey Way during closing moments of the third set.

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BELOW: Charlevoix junior Anna Way taps the ball over the net during third set action.

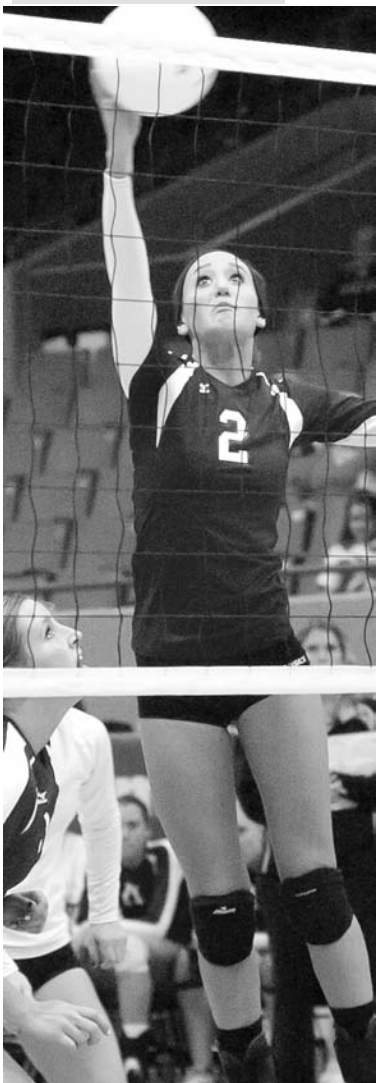


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Rosman to battle back and regain momentum in scoring nine straight points for a 22-18 Morley-Stanwood advantage.

The Rayders would pull to within 20-22, and again at 22-24, but that's as close as they would get, as a Cairnduff kill put the game away for a 2-0 set lead.

In the third and final set, the two teams battled to a 5-5 tie, and then the Mohawks went on a 12-0 run behind the serving of Alexis Huntley and the timely hitting of Chesebro. Charlevoix would battle back to within 10-19 and again at 12-23. Back-to-back kills by Division I bound Huntley would send the Mohawks to the finals and end the Rayders remarkable season. Huntley will play at George Washington University next fall.

“We had opportunities, they (Morley-Stanwood) attacked well,” Shaw noted. “We had 10 serve receive errors, and that's a credit to them, they served tough at us, and having a Miss volleyball runner-up didn't hurt them either.”

Jenna Way finished with 16 assists, nine kills, and four aces, Megan Peters had eight kills, while libero Kelly Greyerbiehl finished with 12 digs and was 28-of-28 in serve reception, Kelsey Way chipped in with 11 digs and Chelsie Hoffman had eight for the Rayders.

Alexis Huntley had a game-high

19 kills for Morley-Stanwood along with six aces and 13 digs, while Bailey Cairnduff had 14 kills and Brett Chesebro 10. Melissa Holland finished with 22 assists for the Mohawks.

“It's been a great year, the best ever for our program,” said coach Shaw. “This gives the younger girls a stepping stone; our program keeps getting better and better every year.” “It will be sad to see this group of senior go, their leadership carried us the entire season, but we are excited in what we have coming up through the program.”

Charlevoix will graduate seven seniors in Kelly Greyerbiehl, Chelsie Hoffman, Kelsey Way, Allison Hankins, Maddy Zimmerman, Megan Peters and Jenna Way.

The Rayders memorable season saw them set a school record for victories, with 49; they also won the school's first ever regional volleyball title and made their first appearance in semifinals. In the process of getting there, they captured the Lake Michigan Conference crown and another District championship.

RIGHT: Charlevoix's Madeline Boss goes high for this kill against Morley-Stanwood at Kellogg Arena in Battle Creek.

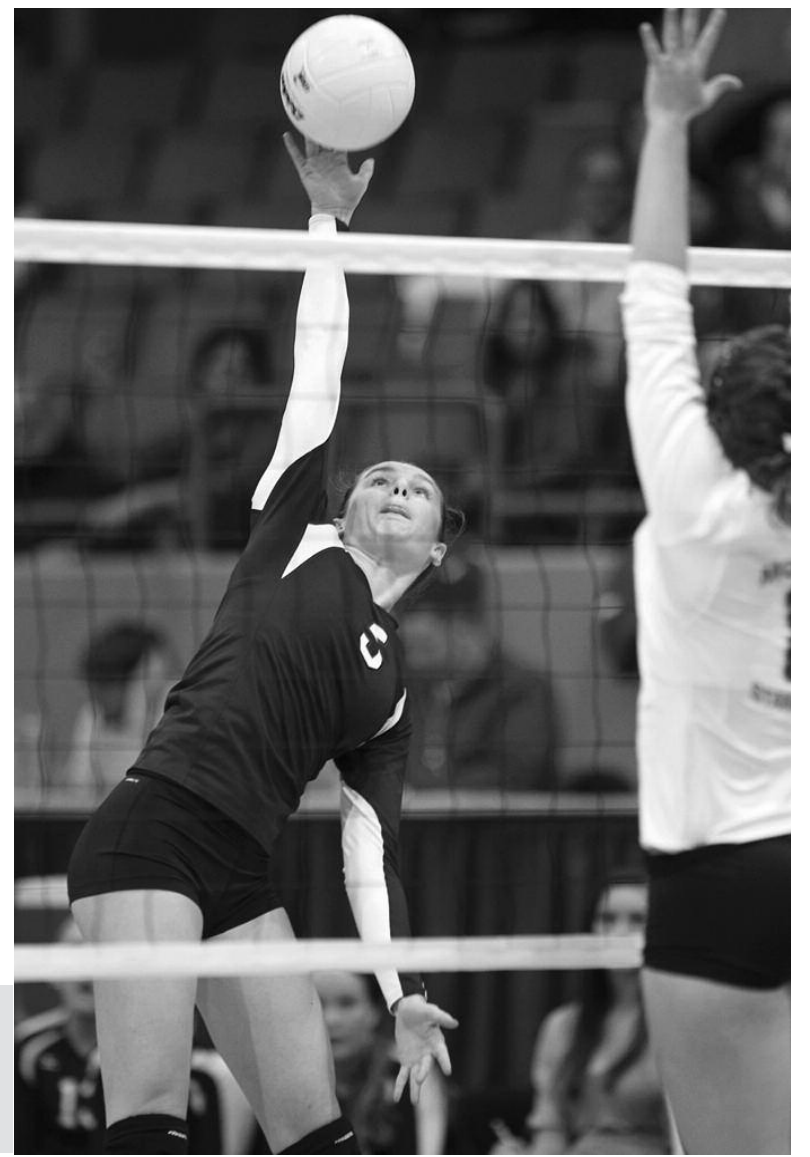


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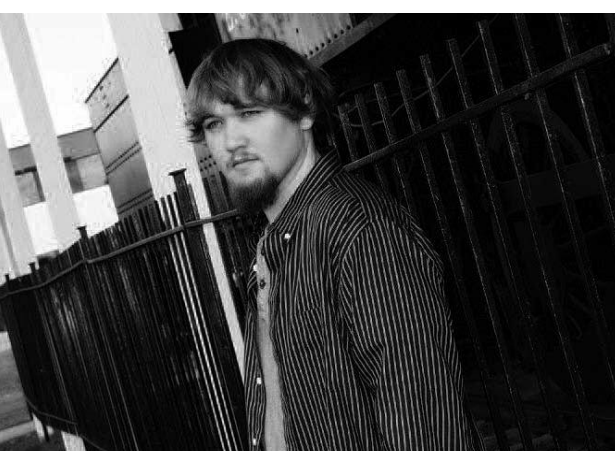


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Where are they now?

Former Boyne City standout Kolbi Shumaker is now throwing pitches for Alma College.

By Chris Fiel

ALMA – Former Boyne City athlete Kolbi Shumaker is making strides in his adjustment from Boyne City High School to Division III Alma College just fine according to head coach Judd Folske.

In a recent phone conversation with Folske, he commented on how Shumaker is fitting in really well with his new teammates, and that he is a fine young man and a joy to be around.

When asked what interested him in Kolbi's services, Folske had this to say, "First of all, he's an athlete, a very good baseball player with a good baseball background." "We've been watching him for about two years, and along with his academics, we feel he is a good fit for our program.

With 11 seniors departed, and another two players transferring, the need for athletes with skills was a priority for Folske and his staff.

"I've been doing this for 40+ years, and we know how to develop talent, we will get some good use out of Kolbi's arm, he

will play multiple positions for us, and he brings that "impact player" mentality.

Folske also noted that learning baseball has no age, "First year players are only rookies until their first at-bat."

Alma recently participated in their fall ball program, which involves a lot of drill work where the ball players work in groups, hitting, middle and outfield. The object of fall ball is to create situations, both offensively and defensively. There are always balls flying according to Folske, with hitting by coaches to the fielders in between every batter.

"The only way they're going to get better is by touching the ball." Folske noted. "Kolbi struggled a bit at third from time to time, but overall, he has a real good arm, a good stick, and he will see some good pitching over the course of the season."

The players are allowed to play in up to 40 games, and with a Varsity/Junior Varsity schedule that totals 70 games, many of the players will see time at both levels.

Shumaker is slated to see time at third base at the JV level and

will do some pitching at the Varsity level according to his coach.

Some of the goals set forth by the Alma staff, are to develop more strength and work to fine tune some of his pitches. "One of our goals is to get his cutter to move a little more," said Folske. "We're working on it.

With the ball season scheduled to begin January 22. The team will have five weeks of training and they will see different velocities, and the coach looks to challenge them.

When pitching, Shumaker will be on a three day rotation. Some of the offensive goals set forth for Kolbi and all of the first year players are to situation hit and divide the plate.

"We are working on getting all first year players more disciplined and putting the ball in play with what the pitchers are giving them," the coach said.

Folske finished by saying that Kolbi is a great addition to Alma and the baseball program, he has a big upside in him, he has to answer that call and he undoubtedly will.



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ABOVE: A successful finish for this youngster as he raises his arms in completion of the course.

Cyclocross race take on Challenge Mountain

The Challenge for Challenge, a Cyclocross race took place at the Challenge Mountain ski area on Sunday, Nov. 13, in Boyne Falls. The event was sponsored by No Boundaries of Boyne City; with the proceeds benefitting Chal-

lenge Mtn. There were multiple events for adults along with children's events, music, food, beer, wine and entertainment. For race results, contact Bob at No Boundaries in Boyne City, 231.582.3200.

BELOW Mountain bike enthusiasts are all bunched up as they take off for the beginning of their heat.

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Former Boyne City standout Kolbi Shumaker is shown here throwing for alma College during fall ball action.



COURTESY PHOTO

MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Boyne City wins a pair of road games.

By Chris Fiel

TRAVERSE CITY – The Boyne City 8th grade basketball team improved to 4-0 with a comeback victory over Traverse City St. Elizabeth, while the 7th grade team came up short in its effort against their counterparts on November 16.

HARBOR SPRINGS — The Boyne City 8th grade basketball team surged past Harbor Springs 32-23 as Derek Willis and Tanner Evans each scored 11 points for the Ramblers. Jordan Struble and Tanner Evans

were the defensive players of the game.

The Boyne City 7th grade team used a late fourth quarter blitz to battle back from a four point deficit to defeat Harbor Springs 18 – 17 on an Ethan Book layup with under a minute to go. A cutting Book received a nice bounce pass from Kane McPherson off a sideout inbounds play and the defense stood strong in preserving the victory. Griffin Powers led Boyne with eight points, while Dominic Archey grabbed eight boards.

NCAA DIVISION 1-A FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

TIME MATCHUP
Miami (Ohio) at Ohio7:00 pm

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Tuskegee at Alabama State.....4:00 pm
Texas at Texas A&M8:00 pm

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Louisville at South Florida.....11:00 am
E. Michigan at N. Illinois11:00 am
Bowling Green at Buffalo12:00 pm
Iowa at Nebraska.....12:00 pm

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Georgia at Georgia Tech12:00 pm

Ohio St. at Michigan12:00 pm
Cincinnati at Syracuse.....12:00 pm
Rutgers at Connecticut.....12:00 pm
Rice at SMU12:00 pm
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Tennessee at Kentucky12:20 pm
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Troy at W. Kentucky12:30 pm
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Wyoming at Boise St.2:00 pm
Duke at North Carolina3:30 pm

Virginia Tech at Virginia.....3:30 pm
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Alabama at Auburn3:30 pm
Purdue at Indiana3:30 pm
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Washington St. at Washington 7:30 pm
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Notre Dame at Stanford.....8:00 pm
San Jose St. at Fresno St.....8:00 pm
UCLA at USC10:00 pm
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Tulane at Hawaii11:00 pm

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Green Bay at Detroit.....12:30 PM....FOX
Miami at Dallas4:15 PMCBS
San Fran. at Baltimore8:20 PM....NFL

SUNDAY, OCT 27

Houston at Jacksonville1:00 PMCBS
Buffalo at NY Jets1:00 PMCBS
Cleveland at Cincinnati.....1:00 PMCBS
Minnesota at Atlanta1:00 PM....FOX
Arizona at St. Louis1:00 PM....FOX

Carolina at Indianapolis1:00 PM....FOX
Tampa at Tennessee.....1:00 PM....FOX
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3.	ARKANSAS	10-1	1,376
4.	STANFORD CARDINAL	10-1	1,224
5.	OKLAHOMA STATE	10-1	1,206
6.	VIRGINIA TECH	10-1	1,133
7.	BOISE STATE	9-1	1,025
8.	HOUSTON	11-0	1,018
9.	OREGON	9-2	1,008
10.	U-S-C	9-2	964
11.	MICH. STATE	9-2	876
12.	OKLAHOMA	8-2	819
13.	GEORGIA	9-2	815
14.	SOUTH CAROLINA	9-2	762
15.	WISCONSIN	9-2	714
16.	KANSAS STATE	9-2	682
17.	MICHIGAN	9-2	527
18.	CLEMSON	9-2	515
19.	T-C-U	9-2	456
20.	PENN STATE	9-2	383
21.	BAYLOR	7-3	383
22.	NEBRASKA	8-3	155
22.	NOTRE DAME	8-3	155
24.	VIRGINIA	8-3	147
25.	GEORGIA TECH	8-3	77

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PURDUE	3 4	5 6
ILLINOIS	2 5	6 5
INDIANA	0 7	1 10

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Real Estate Corner

Question & Answers About Selling Real Estate

How To Prepare Your House For Sale Part 1



Mike Stark

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Prepping and staging a house. Every seller wants her home to sell

fast and bring top dollar. Does that sound good to you? Well, it's not luck that makes that happen. It's careful planning and knowing how to professionally spruce up your home that will send home buyers scurrying for their check-

books. Here is how to prep a house and turn it into an irresistible and marketable home.

Here's How:

1. Disassociate Yourself With Your Home.

Say to yourself, "This is not my home; it is a house — a product to be sold much like a box of cereal on the grocery store shelf.

Make the mental decision to "let go" of your emotions and focus on the fact that soon this house will no longer be yours.

Picture yourself handing over the keys and envelopes containing appliance warranties to the

new owners!

Say goodbye to every room. Don't look backwards — look toward the future.

2. De-Personalize.

Pack up those personal photographs and family heirlooms. Buyers can't see past personal artifacts, and you don't want them to be distracted. You want buyers to imagine their own photos on the walls, and they can't do that if yours are there! You don't want to make any buyer ask, "I wonder what kind of people live in this home?" You want buyers to say, "I can see myself living here."

3. De-Clutter.

People collect an amazing quantity of junk. Consider this: if you haven't used it in over a year, you probably don't need it.

If you don't need it, why not donate it or throw it away?

Remove all books from bookcases.

Pack up those knickknacks.

Clean off everything on kitchen counters.

Put essential items used daily in a small box that can be stored in a closet when not in use.

Think of this process as a head-start on the packing you will

Featured Property

6112 BURLEY ROAD, ALANSON

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Price reduced on this delightful lakefront home

By Jim Akans

Set upon a one-half acre plus sized lot on beautiful Crooked Lake, the delightful lakefront home is an even more amazing value after undergoing recent price reduction.

With approximately 1,864 square feet of comfortable, versatile living space on two levels that includes four bedroom and two full baths, this home is perfect for a family seeking a lakeside lifestyle, or an expansive vacation retreat complete with virtually every recreational possibility Northern Michigan has to offer.

The interior design features a large, open living and dining area, a U-shaped kitchen that is both functional for the active cook, which is beautifully appointed with wood flooring and gorgeous wood raised panel cabinetry. The floor plan also includes a pair of huge upstairs bedrooms that will easily accommodate guests and family members.

A large raised wooden deck overlooks the grassy backyard leading to nearly 68 feet of Crooked Lake beachfront. The yard area is open and waiting for hosting family games, and the inviting crystal clear waters of Crooked Lake beckon for spring, summer and fall days filled with swimming, boating, fishing, or just relaxing as the waves ripple to the shore.



As a extra bonus, there is a enormous 32 x 36 foot pool barn located on this extra deep lot, providing the perfect spot for storing boats and other lake toys, snowmobiles,

yard maintenance equipment, with lots of room left over for additional storage items.

This delightful lakefront home is now listed at just

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Proceedings of the East Jordan City Commission

The East Jordan City Commission met November 15, Peck presiding with all members of Commission prese were approved and acknowledgement was given to pa \$177,371.87.

Further Commission Action: Acknowledge receipt of M Report for Fire Dept. for September 2011; acknowledg Zoning Activity Report for October 2011; approved Civ time extension; approved Administrative Policy #122; a to Ordinance #220-A, Fiscal Year 2011/2012 Budget A Resignations of Tony Cutler from Board of Review and & Recreation Committee; and authorized letter of sup at Associate Level for Michigan Main Street Program f

Copies of the minutes of the above meeting are posted during normal office hours.

Cheltzi M. Wilson, CMC
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LOT 62 KITZBUHEL • \$16,900
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N. M-75 • \$25,000
A little piece of Northern Michigan with a view of Walloon Lake. Within walking distance of the Village of Walloon and Public Beach. MLS 427795. Ask for Tom Conklin.

305 FRONT ST • \$142,000
Don't pass this one up! 3 bedroom home on Front St. with views of Lake Charlevoix! Beach is just across the street and everything else is just a couple blocks away. MLS 430247. Ask for Mike Stark

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PARADISE HILLS DRIVE • \$44,900
Thinking of building a dream home with views of Torch Lake and Lake Michigan, well look no more! Mixed trees, nice subdivision, private country setting add to the beautiful views this property has to offer! Seller is very motivated, bring all offers! MLS 431575. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

GREGORY DRIVE • \$63,000
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CHARLEVOIX
7936 N. OLD 31 • \$139,900
4 bedroom home with 1.5 baths. Quarry tile tub/shower and beautiful tile and wood floors. New kitchen cabinets, stainless steel appliances, Home is situated on rolling hills surrounded by wild life. A finished 2 car garage with a large bonus room above with its own entrance and large deck! MLS 431265. Ask for Mike Stark

06807 MARION CENTER ROAD • \$134,900
Commercial business opportunity conveniently located 1/4 mile off of US 31 on Marion Center Rd. Building is 2400 sq.ft. with ample parking. Perfect opportunity for a service oriented business. Seller will entertain lease option. MLS 430415. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

04235 LAKESHORE DR • \$419,900
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618 STATE STREET • \$79,900
3 bed, 3 bath home in town that has been completely remodeled! Stainless steel appliances and Master Bedroom with Master Bath have given this home a nice upgrade! Kitchen and living room have a nice open layout providing a great room for family time! Close to town and schools. All this home needs is you and your belongings! MLS 431952. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

317 FOURTH ST • \$34,900
4 bedroom 2 bath home on crawl space, 2 car detached garage. Home Only included in this sale, no land. The land is leased through Community Land Trust. Must be approved through the Northern Homes CDC's Community Land Trust to purchase home. MLS 431885. Ask for Mike Stark

10336 ELLSWORTH ROAD • \$39,900
Breath-taking views completely uninterrupted that continue on for literally miles. Just under 4 acres, this parcel is ready and perfectly suited for a walkout basement to build your dream home in northern Michigan. Private and secluded best describes this parcel! Property is already staked, 5" well, 146' deep, 1,000 gallon septic installed in 06'. Underground electrical service with a transformer on-site and 30 amp service to the 14 x 34 concrete pad that is RV ready as well! MLS 431718. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

307 SECOND ST • \$34,900
Older 3 bedroom home in East Jordan. Covered front porch to relax on, walkout partial Michigan basement gives you easy access and the one car garage for storage. MLS 431725. Ask for Mike Stark

211 ECHO STREET • \$58,000
New home in move in condition, 3 bedroom 2 bath, main floor laundry room. Good family neighborhood. Off Street Alley to the two car garage. Large shade tree in the front yard. MLS 430325. Ask for Mike Tomczak

04077/04095 JONATHON DR • \$59,900
2 buildings, heated, electricity, etc. Shared well and septic. Office space and work areas. Located at the edge of town making this a great spot for all kinds of possibilities. 1st building: 92x36 2nd building: 52x30 MLS 428740. Ask for Mike Stark

03833 HOMESTEAD • \$94,500
Well kept 3 bedroom 2 bath home with 2+ attached garage, wood floors, finished basement, gas fireplace in the large family room. Great view. Priced to sell. MLS 431844. Ask for Mike Tomczak

500 S LAKE ST • \$22,000
Big 2 story brick home with an enclosed front porch and attached 2 car garage. Does need some TLC but has many possibilities. Great location on the edge of town. MLS 431541. Ask for Mike Stark

114 WOODLAND DRIVE • \$21,000
Picturesque lot in Hillcrest subdivision. Overlooking the city of East Jordan and Lake Charlevoix. GREAT seasonal views and just outside of town. MLS 431082. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

98 MARY STREET • \$19,900
TONS of potential! This fixer upper needs you and your imagination! Close to town and schools. Priced to sell, seller is motivated.

MLS 431321. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

TBD STANEK ROAD • \$23,000
White Pines in the front and mixed hardwoods in the back. Road is County maintained. Close to snowmobile trails, State land, Jordan Valley and River! Perfect for an outdoorsmen! Hunting season is just around the corner, take a look now, this one won't last long! MLS 431293. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

103 MAIN STREET • \$58,900
Great location! Turn of the century building located across the street from the Main Street center building. Front of building has had a recent face lift but owner kept the buildings appeal. Building is set up for a retail business on the main level and an apartment upstairs that could allow for at least 2 bedrooms with a plenty of room for entertaining! Spacious deck that overlooks beautiful Lake Charlevoix! Seller is motivated, bring all offers! MLS 430168. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

706 DIVISION • \$95,000
Cute and clean! This five bedroom home is cute as a button and in GREAT shape! Home has newer kitchen and appliances. Large family room in basement. MLS 429682. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

2945 M-66 • \$78,900
Wood framed metal building with lots of potential! Perfect setup for commercial with residential as well! Seller will entertain qualified land contract buyers offers, call for details. MLS 429235. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

05760 M32 • \$80,000
MLS 431088. Ask for Mike Stark.

01390 LALONDE RD • \$124,900
GREAT location! Within easy walking distance to the Dutchman's Bay public access, this home has tons to offer from style and new paint, to a fenced yard and wonderfully treed lot. Cool Shade in the summer, and an evening stroll to the lake. MLS 429430. Ask for Mike Stark

5890 MT. BLISS ROAD • \$269,000
This custom built home features a gorgeous stone fireplace, hand built kitchen and bathroom cabinets, tongue and groove interior, a 36 x 64 pole barn with radiant heat, perfect for a craftsman or an auto man! 15 acres to hunt and enjoy the seasonal wildlife and just steps away from the Jordan River and Valley as well as snowmobile trails! Driveway is paved, the garden is ready, all this home needs is YOU! MLS 430376. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

103 ESTERLY STREET • \$58,500
576 Total Square Feet. Nicely remodeled. Perfect opportunity for a service oriented business, ex: insurance, real estate, salon, groomer, You name it! MLS 430490. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

318 STATE STREET • \$36,400
This home has a great layout, newer vinyl windows and siding. Bedrooms may not be conforming. A little TLC and the inside could be quite charming! Great location to schools, beautiful Lake Charlevoix and could be an ideal retail location. Seller is motivated, bring all offers! MLS 430201. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

303 ECHO • \$38,000
An older home, but with a little attention to detail could be a great starter home, rental or investment property! Call to see today! MLS 429390. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

4562 E OLD STATE ROAD • \$34,900
10 acres with a 30x40 pole barn on cement slab, 10' w x 9' h overhead door and 3' man door. Well, electric and septic on site already! Not far from snowmobile trails and the Jordan River. Seller is motivated, bring all offers! MLS 430046. Ask for Mike Stark

209 MAIN STREET • \$139,900
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705 PROSPECT STREET • \$103,000
Turn of the Century home with architectural charm! This home has recently had extensive remodeling and is ready for you to move right in! Beautiful wood floors, an updated kitchen, a formal dining room for entertaining, as well as a newer furnace and roof! Close to schools and downtown for your conveniences! MLS 430906. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

6800 LEE RD. • \$99,900
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09649 METZ ROAD • \$49,900
This 16 acre parcel features a well and 4" septic. Thinking of building a dream home with views of Lake Charlevoix, then look no more! MLS 429180. Ask for Mike Stark

750 SEVENTH ST. • \$23,000
This is a beautiful piece of property right on the edge of town. Acreage is on a dead end street and very private. Would make for a perfect walk out basement. City water and sewer are available for hook up. MLS 430403. Ask for Jennifer Burr-Cutler.

ELLSWORTH
9644 CIRCLE DRIVE • \$74,900
Custom built ranch style home located in a quiet neighborhood with a country side view. Home is in NEW condition and completely remodeled. Everything is new including range, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave and central air conditioning. An egress window in the basement and plumbing for 2nd bath. MLS 429261. Ask for Gary Strange.

11271 N US 31 HWY • \$40,000
3 bedroom house on 10 acres between Atwood and Charlevoix. Nice size barn for critters or storage. MLS 431287. Ask for Mike Stark

MANCELONA
6022 SATTERLY LAKE RD • \$64,900
Very nice and well maintained farm house on 10 acres. Newer metal roof, newer kitchen and home completely remodeled in 2006. Great location between Gaylord and Traverse City. MLS 431564. Ask for Mike Stark

6658 SCHUSS MTRN. LANE • \$22,500
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